

FIRE RAGES
AT LISBON, N.H.In Parker & Young Lumber
Mills Today.

STARTED IN A DRY SHED

Harry E. Parker of Bradford and Montpelier is one of the owners of the property. He just returned from the West.

A telephone message was received in Montpelier this noon telling of a large fire at Lisbon, N. H. The fire started in dry shed No. 3 of the Parker & Young lumber mills and was raging fiercely at the time the message was given. Help had been summoned from Berlin and Woodville, N. H. Harry E. Parker of Bradford and Montpelier is a member of the firm of Parker & Young. He returned from a winter's sojourn in the West last night.

Mr. Parker is publisher of the Bradford Opinion at Bradford and is president of the Capital City Press at Montpelier.

FIRE WIPES IT OUT.

Pugilistic Arena Near Philadelphia Destroyed Today.

Philadelphia, April 8.—Fire, the cause of which is not known, destroyed the mammoth Olympic Athletic association's clubhouse, the scene of many pugilistic encounters, at North Eastington today.

NINE MILLS DESTROYED
AT WAYNE, N. J.Terrific Explosion in the Works of the
Dupont Powder Company This
Morning Did Fearful
Execution.

Newark, N. J., April 9.—One man was killed and another was injured this morning by an explosion in the plant of the Dupont Powder company at Wayne. Nine mills were destroyed by the terrific explosion, and the property loss amounts to \$50,000.

REFUSED MONEY,
FIRES AT WOMANRobber Shoots Twice at Springfield.
Mrs. Tapley Spoils His Aim
by Knocking Up His
Weapon.

Springfield, Mass., April 9.—A whist party at the house of Mrs. Wilbur M. Swan, 50 Bellevue avenue, was interrupted at 8:30 o'clock last night by a masked man with a revolver, who rang the door bell and demanded money. When his demand was refused, he fired point blank at Mrs. Bertha Benjamin, who went to the door.

Mrs. Lila Tapley, a guest, undoubtedly saved the life of Mrs. Benjamin by rushing to the door as the first words of the robber and knocking up his revolver, thus spoiling his aim. So close was the revolver to Mrs. Benjamin's face that her forehead was burned with powder. The bullet went into the panel of the door and another bullet shattered the chandelier in the hallway. Mr. Swan threw his pocketbook, containing \$25, down the stairs, and, seizing it, the man escaped.

When the doorbell rang Mrs. Benjamin, who is the widow of Walter E. Benjamin and who lives at 82 Marengo park, near by, a guest at the party, supposing it to be a belated guest, volunteered to go to the door. She was confronted by a tall, heavily built man wearing a mask.

He drew a revolver and said: "Give me all the money in this house or I'll shoot."

"We have no money here," coolly replied Mrs. Benjamin.

There was a flash and a bullet cracked the door panel. At the sound Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Lila Tapley and Mrs. Swan's son, Douglas, 8 years of age, hastened into the hallway. As they approached the masked man sent another bullet into the chandelier, breaking it with a crash.

Mr. Swan, who was on the second floor, alarmed, went to the head of the stairs and called down: "What's the matter here?" The women and boy by this time had taken refuge in the sitting room, leaving the front door open, where the man was still standing.

"Don't come down here," screamed Mrs. Swan. "There's a robber here after money and he'll shoot."

Mr. Swan then flung his pocket book down the stairs out of the open door and the robber seized it and ran away.

Mrs. Swan then let her son, Douglas, out of the sitting room window, telling him to run to the house of Dr. George E. Foster at the corner of Bellevue and Belmont avenues and telephone for the police. He did so and inspector John St. Ledger responded, but he could find no trace of the robber.

TWENTY INJURED BY
A BIG EXPLOSIONAnd Part of Borghio Palace in Rome
Was Destroyed Today, Says Re-
port to London.

London, April 9.—According to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph there was an explosion near St. Peter's, Rome, today, seriously injuring twenty persons and destroying part of the Borghio palace. The first report said that a bomb exploded, but it later developed that this explosion was from dynamite which had been stored by fishermen for use in illegal killing of fish.

DENIES THE MOTION.

To Dismiss The Indictment in The
Sampson Murder Case.

Lyons, N. Y., April 9.—Judge Rich this morning decided that the jury must pass on the guilt or innocence of George Sampson, charged with killing her husband, Harry Sampson, denying the motion of the defense to dismiss the indictment.

Lyons, N. Y., April 9.—Mrs. John Ebert, wife of a neighbor of Harry Sampson, was the first witness yesterday in the trial of Mrs. George Sampson, who is charged with the murder of her husband, Harry, last November. Mrs. Ebert's testimony corroborated in many details the evidence given by her husband and the parents and relatives of Mrs. Sampson.

Mrs. Ebert said she went to the Allen house after the shooting and during the day she cut up a piece of cheese, which she found wrapped up in a piece of paper, for a meal. This is the piece of cheese Harry Sampson is supposed by the prosecution to have had in his hand when shot.

Miss Gertrude Sampson, sister of Harry, was the next witness. She said she visited the Allen home the evening of the shooting and some person, whom she thought was Mrs. George Sampson, left the room when she entered. Miss Sampson asked for Georgia that evening, but did not see her.

Miss Sampson was followed on the stand by her mother, Mrs. Harriet Sampson, who said that she and her husband called at the Allen home the day Harry was shot. Mrs. Sampson said she did not see Georgia that day.

THE NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE.

Meeting Held Yesterday to Wind Up
Routine Matters.

Boston, April 9.—The New England league professional baseball clubs held an adjourned meeting at the United States hotel last night to finish up routine matters connected with the coming season's work.

The schedule for May 10 and May 11 was changed so that Worcester will play at New Bedford and Lawrence at Fall River May 10, and Lawrence at New Bedford and Worcester at Fall River May 11.

On motion of Mr. Flanagan of Brooklyn it was voted that each club shall on or before May 20 of each year file with the secretary a list of the players, exclusive of the playing manager and the amount of the salary paid each player per month.

No player shall be eligible to play more than one game in his club, and shall have been filed with the secretary of the national association.

The secretary shall keep a separate record book with the name and amount of salary of each player in the league which shall be open to the inspection of any club president at any time. No written communication shall be made by the secretary with any club in reference to the salary paid to any player by any club.

MARRIED 61 YEARS AGO.

Unusual Anniversary Celebrated by an
Aged Rutland Couple.

Rutland, April 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Horace G. Bateman of this city celebrated yesterday the 61st anniversary of their marriage. The affair was planned by ladies of the Methodist church, of which Mr. and Mrs. Bateman have been members 47 years. As they are in rather straitened circumstances some of the older Massons attended the celebration and left remembrances in the shape of coin. Mr. Bateman being a member of the first class, Mr. Bateman was born in this city 81 years ago. He was for 25 years employed as section man on the Rutland railroad and was for a long time coachman for the late Gov. John R. Page. Mrs. Bateman is 80 years old and a native of Richmond, N. H. They have had four children, only one of whom, William T. Bateman of Dudley, Mass., is living.

GOV. LILLEY QUILTS.

Because of Ill Health, Turning Affairs
Over to Lieutenant Governor.

Hartford, Conn., April 9.—Governor Lilley yesterday afternoon, upon signing the bill by which a lieutenant governor is empowered to act as governor during the illness of a governor within the state, turned over the state administration to Lieutenant Governor Frank B. Weeks.

Lieut. Gov. Weeks at once issued a statement saying that he will follow Governor Lilley's suggestion as to appointments and other important matters which are now under his consideration.

MOTHER DIES OF BURNS.

Mrs. Morley of Lawrence Put Out Fire
and Saved Her Baby.

Lawrence, Mass., April 9.—Mrs. Edward Morley of 189 Willow street put out a fire in her kitchen and saved her baby, but died yesterday afternoon at the Lawrence General hospital of her burns. Her husband, coming from work, found her lying on the floor groaning. The room was full of smoke and on the floor lay a lamp, still warm. A burned scarf draped over a shelf told the story.

CASTRO SERIOUSLY ILL.

Wound in Abdomen Due to Operation
in Berlin, Suddenly Opens.

Fort of France, April 9.—Former President Castro, who is an exile here, was taken suddenly ill yesterday. The wound of the operation in his abdomen performed in Berlin, opened. His condition is grave.

ASSISTANT FOR MACVEAGH.

Charles D. Hiles of New York is Ap-
pointed.

Washington, April 9.—The president yesterday sent to the Senate the nomination of Charles D. Hiles of New York to be assistant secretary of the treasury.

Fallen Tree Stopped Them.

The main line train on the Montpelier & Wells River railroad was late last evening because the heavy wind felled a tree across the track and necessitated a wait until the obstruction could be removed.

MANY YEARS
AS SECRETARYEthan Allen Hitchcock Died in
Washington To-day

WAS NATIVE OF ALABAMA

He Served in President McKinley's Cab-
inet and Subsequently in President
Roosevelt's Cabinet in Interior
Department.

Washington, D. C., April 9.—Ethan Allen Hitchcock, who was secretary of the interior under President McKinley and later with President Roosevelt, died at 11 o'clock this morning at the home of his son-in-law, Commander W. S. Sims. Death resulted from kidney troubles which were contracted by a severe cold. Mr. Hitchcock had been very low for several days.

He was born in Mobile, Ala., Sept. 19, 1833, being the son of Judge Henry and Anne H. Hitchcock. He attended school at Nashville, Tenn., and later at a military academy in New Haven, Conn. He settled in St. Louis and entered the mercantile business which he followed until 1860 when he went to China to enter a commission house, becoming a partner in the business in 1866. He retired from business in 1875 and spent the next two years in Europe. He then returned to the United States and was president of several mining, manufacturing and railroad companies.

His official positions started with appointment as United States minister to Russia in 1897 and then first ambassador to the same country. President McKinley appointed Mr. Hitchcock secretary of the interior in 1898, was reappointed and subsequently appointed by President Roosevelt. He resigned the post on March 4, 1907. Mr. Hitchcock's residence was St. Louis.

RUTLAND ENTHUSIASTIC.

Over Prospect of Having a Base Ball
Team This Summer.

Rutland, April 9.—About 50 base ball enthusiasts met at the hotel Berwick Wednesday evening and formed an organization to be known as the Rutland Base Ball association, and elected a temporary board of five directors to formulate a set of by-laws to be presented at the next meeting.

W. K. Farnsworth reported receiving letters from Burlington and Montpelier to the effect that the managements of both teams favored a \$1,500 salary limit. He also stated that Plattaburg would come into a league if the salary limit were kept down to \$1,500 and that the base ball situation in Glens Falls and Bellows Falls is favorable, if the salary limit is kept down.

George S. Haley reported that the meeting which had been called in Burlington for representatives of the league was postponed until next Wednesday.

On a motion by Fred A. Field it was voted to form an organization independent of the old association. Remarks were made by the Rev. W. H. Spence favoring the forming of a league with Rutland represented in support of a clean, fast game of base ball.

The following directors were elected: Henry O. Carpenter, Walter R. Kinman, George S. Haley, Will L. Davis and Frank M. Wilson.

ON THE TAXPAYERS' TRAIL.

Battletown Lister Announces New Rules
For Taking Inventories.

Battletown, April 9.—The Battletown listers have announced their adoption of a new plan for taking inventories. They require that every inventory delivered to them this year be sworn to strictly in accordance with the form as printed in the inventories; that if any notary public or justice of the peace certified that an oath was administered with the formality which the law required, when as a matter of fact it was not administered, the lister would undertake to have the penalty provided by law imposed.

They also stated that if they detected any person swearing falsely in the matter of his inventory they would bring the matter to the attention of the grand jury. The listers say this termination was brought about by the criticism and suggestions of the commission that investigated taxation in Vermont, also by suggestion that much property in Battletown escapes taxation.

WIND DAMAGE AT RANDOLPH.

Canning Factory Sustained The Most
Severe Loss.

Randolph, April 9.—The wind of Wednesday night and Thursday did about \$1,500 worth of damage to the Democratic building, tearing the roof off and damaging the wall on the back side of the building, tearing down the chimney and other small damages. W. E. Lamson's plate glass window was broken on the front by the awning which was torn away and the roof of the building was also damaged. The milk factory lost several feet of the smoke stack which dropped through the roof. Trees were nearly destroyed in the yard of W. B. Viall in front of the Howard block at the McCollum place on Central street. A good deal of damage was also done to the telephone company by tearing down wires.

FOSSE IN SEARCH.

For Man Who Is Accused of Attacking
His Young Daughter.

Fitchburg, Mass., April 9.—Deputy Sheriff Goddard with a posse of farmers is searching the Petersham woods for Daniel Ferguson, who is charged with attacking his 15-years-old daughter.

All who wish to donate flowers in memory of departed friends will kindly send them to the church of the Good Shepherd, on Saturday.

MORE CONTRIBUTIONS.

To The Memorial Fund of The Cham-
plain Tercentenary Work.

Burlington, April 9.—Additional contributions to the memorial fund of the Lake Champlain tercentenary commission received since the publication of the last list of contributors are given below. Hon. Maxwell Everts of Windsor is a contributor to the amount of \$100 and in the letter with he wrote to Secretary Hays of the commission he said that he hoped the contribution would reach a handsome sum and that the celebration in every respect would redound to the credit of the state.

Also interest is being manifested by people outside of Vermont in the celebration and this interest is increasing every day. Contributions to the memorial fund should be sent to Frank L. Fish, treasurer, Vergennes, Vermont.

The historical booklet prepared by Horace W. Bailey a member of the commission is now on the press. This booklet is to be distributed to the school children of Vermont and sold to the public at 25 cents a copy. Copies can be procured by addressing Secretary Hays, 196 Main street, Burlington, Vt.

The following are the additional contributors to the memorial fund:

Perry B. Pope, Bethlehem, Pa.	\$ 1.00
F. D. Butler, Los Angeles, Cal.	5.00
H. W. McKinnon, St. Louis, Mo.	5.00
Dane R. Conway, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1.00
B. P. Sparrow, Somerville, Va.	1.00
Leslie M. Saunders, St. Regis Falls, N. Y.	1.00
Stephen M. Foote, Jackson Barre, N. Y.	2.00
Geo. M. Wright, Orwell, Vt.	1.00
C. O. Howe, Shelburne, Vt.	1.00
Wm. T. Hulbert, Los Angeles, Cal.	.50
Geo. F. Edwards, Pasadena, Cal.	50.00
W. A. Farnsworth, Glen Ridge, N. J.	1.00
Grace N. Dutchen, Hopdale, Mass.	1.00
Phil. H. Howe, Montpelier, Vt.	1.00
Fred M. Corcoran, St. Petersburg, Russia	10.00
Wm. T. Dewey, Montpelier, Vt.	5.00
Russia	10.00
Maxwell Everts Windsor, Vt.	100.00
Dr. G. C. Beckley, St. Albans, Vt.	1.00
Miss M. L. Landon, Washington, D. C.	1.00
Mayor E. R. Campbell, Washington, D. C.	1.00
W. S. Pomeroy, Washington, D. C.	5.00
Wm. H. W. Benedict, Dover, N. H.	.50
W. F. Hagar, Wallingford, Vt.	.25
Dr. Chas. H. Prindle, Chelsoe, Mass.	5.00
D. F. Leonard, Norwich, Conn.	5.00
Chas. B. Gray, Burlington, Vt.	5.00

St. Johnsbury, April 9.—The case of James D. Bell et al vs. the Vermont division of the Portland & Ogdensburg railroad company, which was on the docket for the April term of Supreme court, now sitting here, has been continued to the May term in Montpelier. This suit has been on the docket for 29 years and is one of the oldest on record. The case grew out of claims against this railroad before it went into a receivership and was sold to the Boston & Maine.

The claims are for labor and material furnished and amount to about \$30,000, and there were originally about 50 creditors who claimed to be preferred alleging that the earnings of the road and the personal property were more than enough to pay all its preferred claims. More than half of the creditors have died and the suit has passed to their heirs.

In 1903 there was a decision by the supreme court in an opinion written by Judge J. W. Rowell, now chief justice, which found for the railroads, with mandate that the amount due them be determined by the master, and it is to his report that the defendant excepts and goes to supreme court.

At the time of the trial the railroads were successful, notwithstanding the absence of books, in establishing the fact that much of the money went into permanent improvements and enhanced the value of the bondholders' interests, when it should have been credited to net earnings. The court ruled on this that in "computing net earnings only such expenditures as are actually made can be deducted from gross earnings."

The defendant claims that the court of equity is not the court in which the matter should be settled. If the supreme court sustain the master's report and findings the road must pay about \$26,000, with \$600 costs.

BIG ROAD MEETING.

Was Held at St. Johnsbury Yesterday
—Much Interest Shown.

St. Johnsbury, April 9.—The road commissioners of the Adirondack county met at the annual meeting yesterday with Charles V. Gates, the state highway commissioner and there were 82 present. In this number were all the road commissioners of the county, many of the selectmen and several of the commissioners from towns in adjacent counties. At the afternoon session Mr. Gates gave a helpful address on the present laws with special attention to the provisions of the new automobile law and its relations to good roads. The meeting was the largest ever held of this character and great interest as shown in the matters under consideration.

In the evening Mr. Gates met the automobile owners in town and in an informal manner explained to them the provisions of the new automobile law. A similar meeting was held at Newport Wednesday night as a result an automobile club will be formed to help the road for good roads.

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NEAR THE END
OF KENT CASEArguments Were Made in
Murder Trial Today

WERE STARTED YESTERDAY

The Case of Man, Charged with Mur-
dering Della Congdon, May Go
to the Jury Late
To-day.

Rutland, April 9.—The arguments in the case of State vs. Elmer Kent, charged with the murder of Della Congdon, were continued today. E. H. O'Brien and John D. Spellman appearing for the defense and Attorney General Sargent for the state. State's Attorney Jones opened the case for the state yesterday afternoon, occupying the time up to adjournment for the day. The case may go to the jury late today.

Dr. D. A. Shirres of Montreal, alienist, was the last witness put on yesterday afternoon. Dr. Shirres, who examined Kent after the murder, testified that in his opinion Kent was not insane, but had been "faking" the delusions which had appeared to have at various times.

Dr. Shirres said he did not believe Kent capable of an insane impulse which he could not control. "He did not react to my questions like a man who had hallucinations," added the alienist.

TORE ROOF OFF BARN.

Wind Got Into G. W. Lynde's Barn and
Couldn't Get Out Otherwise.

The hurricane of Thursday morning did considerable damage to the barn belonging to George W. Lynde of the West Hill in Williamstown. The large door in one end of the barn was left open and the wind swept in with full force and not finding a ready exit swept its way upward through the roof, tearing off a large section, shingles, boards and all. A section of the side of the roof 13 by 15 feet was torn off and the boards and rafters were thrown several rods. The shingles which were torn off were scattered over the entire immediate vicinity. The barn stands in an exposed position.

TAKES A RECESS.

County Court Will Reconvene Next Mon-
day at Noon.

Washington county court adjourned at Montpelier last night until Monday at noon. Among the divorce cases in which decisions were rendered yesterday were the following: Hattie O. Richardson from O. C. Richardson of Montpelier, for intolerable severity and refusal to support; Eugene Hickman from Mary Hickman for intolerable severity; Telephone Abair from Eva Abair for intolerable severity and adultery; Elsie Campbell of Barre from A. C. Campbell for intolerable severity and refusal to support. The petitioner in the last named case was given permission to resume her maiden name of Elsie Burt.

FIRE AT GRANITEVILLE.

House of John E. Finnegan at Upper
Village Destroyed.

Fire which started from a stove pipe did some damage to the house of John E. Finnegan at upper Graniteville yesterday afternoon. Quaternary working near saw the blaze, rushed over and by quick and well directed efforts put it out.

NO AGREEMENT.

Reached in The Coal Mine Discussion at
Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 9.—After a session of twenty minutes the miners' conference adjourned today without coming to an agreement with the operators.

EAST BARRE.

The Sunday school of the Congregational church of East Barre will present the following program Easter evening at seven o'clock:

Organ voluntary.
Singing by the school.
Scripture reading and prayer, pastor.
Recitation, God Never Sleeps, George Tucker.

Easter Messengers, nine girls.
Recitation, Walter Tomlinson.
Recitation, Bernice McAllister and Louise Partridge.

Chorus, Under the Ground.
Exercise, three little girls.
Recitation, Carroll Tucker.
Recitation, An Easter Lily, Emily Watson.

Chorus, A Glad Message.
Recitation, Claude Partridge.
Exercise and chorus, The Little Messengers.

Exercise, Overcometh, eight boys.
Girls' chorus, Let Them Ring.
Recitation, Roscoe Avery.
Solo, Chester Sargent.
Collection for the Sunday school.
Benediction.

GRANITEVILLE.

Free-boaters Base Ball Team Organizes
For The Season of 1909.

The Free-boaters base ball team organized at a meeting held last night by electing A. Fraser as manager and H. Landy, the sluggish, as captain. There are sixteen candidates out trying for the team, and a season fully as successful as last year when ten games were won out of fourteen played is expected. Graniteville Mission, Episcopal, Easter day. The Rev. W. J. M. Beattie will conduct the services at 3:30 p. m. Subject, "Seeking the Living among the Dead," Luke, 24:5.

The W. C. O. F. will hold a supper and dance in Miles' hall, Graniteville, Monday evening, April 12. All are cordially invited to attend.

CARRIED MARKS OF SCRAP.

Thomas Tacy Complained Against Li-
gouri Syr, His Former Roommate.

As the result of a scrap with Thomas Tacy of River street last evening, Ligouri Syr was arraigned in the city court this morning on two charges, the first for intoxication and the second for breach of the peace. The respondent pleaded guilty to both charges and promptly paid the lump sum of \$20.15, the amount of the fines and costs in both cases. With a black eye and a bandage across his face to cover a cut in his lip, Thomas Tacy was called onto the witness stand and told his side of the story as to how the fight happened.

He said that he was going up River street about 8 o'clock last evening when he met Syr and asked him when he was going to settle for his share of the rent of the room they had been renting together ever since last summer. Tacy said that they had a few words back and forth and the next thing he knew Syr suddenly struck him and then turned and ran onto Granite street. On finding that his face was cut, Tacy said he turned back and went down Granite street to go to the office of Dr. Duffy.

When he reached the corner of Granite and North Main street, he said Syr came up to him and wanted to get the key to the room from which they had recently moved, but he refused to let him have it. They then went to the office of Dr. Duffy and had the wound in his face dressed, and, coming out, met officer Carle on the street and told him that he had been stabbed in the face with a knife by Syr. The officer immediately took Syr to his room in the Sanguinetti block and found him there trying a strap around his trunk. Officer Carle placed him under arrest and locked him in a cell in the police station.

After Tacy had told his story on the stand, Acting City Judge A. S. Sargent asked Syr what he had to say about the case and the latter then told the court a very different story from that of Tacy. Syr said that he had been rooming with Tacy ever since last July, and that last evening he and Tacy went together to the house of Mr. Guidici on River street and drank wine there from about five o'clock until eight, when they left the house together. While they were walking down River street, Syr said that Tacy asked him about the rent bill and talked "sassy" to him and struck him on the nose. Syr then said he struck Tacy in the face with his fist but did not strike him with a knife.

After this, according to Syr's story, both continued together down Granite street and with another friend whom they met the three went to the physicians office. After they came out of the physicians office Syr said that Tacy became angry again and accused him of having stabbed him with a knife. Syr said he went to his room and had only just reached there when Officer Carle came and arrested him.

When questioned again by the court Tacy said that Syr did follow along into the doctors office. The court asked Tacy if he saw any knife in Syr's hand when he was struck, and he said that he did not. He saw no knife until the officers showed him one they had taken from Syr's pockets in the police station. The court examined the knife, which was a large pocket knife, and said that he did not believe